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PART I.

IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT.

Anti-leprosy Campaign.

ORDER No. G. 2800-75—MED. 61-26-1, DATED 8TH SEPTEMBER 1926.

In response to an appeal made by H. E. the late Viceroy for funds in aid of the All India Council of the British Empire Leprosy Relief Association constituted for the purpose of combating leprosy in India, instructions were issued in January 1925, to Deputy Commissioners of Districts and Presidents of Municipal Councils for arranging public meetings in all Headquarter Stations and important towns in the State to explain to the public the objects of the campaign against leprosy, to enlist support and collect subscriptions. A public meeting of the citizens of Bangalore was also arranged in February 1925 under the presidency of the late Dewan, to concert measures with a view to giving effect to the appeal made by H. E. the Viceroy. The subscriptions collected in the State were, from time to time, remitted to the Honorary Treasurer to the Indian Council of the British Empire Leprosy Relief Association, Simla.

2. The Indian Council of the above Association has now announced a plan of action which includes (1) provision of short courses of training in the diagnosis and treatment of leprosy, and (2) propaganda.

3. In regard to the first item, the Central Committee have resolved to provide for the training of a certain number of doctors drawn from the various Provinces, in the special treatment of leprosy at the School of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, Calcutta. Government have, in this connection, approved of the Senior Surgeon's proposal to depute Mr. S. Varada Iyengar, Assistant Surgeon, for the said training. After Mr. Varada Iyengar's return, arrangements will have to be made for the treatment of persons suffering from the earlier stages of the disease at the Leper Asylum at Bangalore which has been in existence for over 30 years but where only advanced and obvious lepers are at present treated.

4. In regard to the second item, action has to be taken now in the following directions:—

(1) Employment of different methods of propaganda in order to bring a knowledge of the disease and its proper treatment to the notice of the public;

(2) Popular instruction by means of coloured posters, lantern slides and pamphlets;

(3) Training of a sufficient number of medical men in the modern treatment of leprosy;

(4) Establishment of dispensaries for the treatment of lepers, especially early cases and arranging for clinics.

5. Government consider it desirable to appoint a committee to deal with these matters and advise Government on questions relating to the anti-leprosy campaign in the State and to administer the funds that may be allotted to the Mysore State by the Central Committee. The Committee will be constituted for two years for the present and will consist of the following officers and non-official gentlemen who have been good enough to agree to work on it:—

1. The Senior Surgeon.
2. The Secretary to Government, Medical Department.
3. The President, City Municipal Council, Bangalore.
4. Dr. M. Srinivasa Rao.
5. Dr. E. S. Krishnaswami Iyer.
6. Dr. C. B. Rama Rao.
7. Rev. Mr. Thorp.
8. Mr. Gell Knight.
9. ,, R. Gopalaswami Iyer.
10. Rev. Father Briand.
11. Mr. B. Abdur Rahmon, President, Bangalore District Board.
12. The Secretary, Civic and Social Progress Association.
13. The Medical Officer, Victoria Hospital.
14. The Medical Officer, Leper Asylum.

The Senior Surgeon and Sanitary Commissioner will be the Chairman and Convener of the Committee and the Medical Officer, Leper Asylum, will be the Secretary. The Headquarters of the Committee will be at Bangalore.

6. The Memorandum on the Method of Conducting Anti-Leprosy Campaign in India issued by the British Empire Leprosy Relief Association (Indian Council) and other literature on the subject, will be placed at the disposal of the Committee for necessary action in accordance with the approved programme.

7. The Committee will hold meetings whenever necessary and submit copies of the proceedings of the meetings for the information of Government. An annual report of work done should also be submitted before the end of January every year for being forwarded to the Central Committee for incorporation in the annual report of the Indian Council.

P. G. D'SOUZA,
Chief Secretary to Government.

Special Duty Officer.

ORDER NO. O. 780-7—O. E. 50-26-1, DATED 14TH SEPTEMBER 1926.

Mr. C. E. Rama Rau, Registrar, General and Revenue Secretariat, is placed on Special Duty with effect from 25th September 1926 in connection with the arrangements for the Reception and Entertainment of Indian Guests during the ensuing Dasara Festivities.

2. Gentlemen invited to Mysore as Guests are requested to place themselves in communication with that Officer for any information or assistance they may require in connection with accommodation, conveyance, etc., at Mysore.

3. The Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District, the President, Mysore City Municipal Council and the Executive Engineer, Special Division, Mysore, are requested to render all reasonable help to the Officer on Special Duty.

T. SINGARAVELU,
For *Chief Secretary to Government.*